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WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE PROSTHETIC DEVICES

REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Sir:

Applicants filed a Request for Continued Examination, Amendment and Request for Reconsideration Under 37 CFR § 1.114, Information Disclosure Statement, and Petition for Extension of Time on June 20, 2007 (copy attached). Applicants inadvertently authorized payment of 3 independent claims in the amount of \$600.00.

Applicants respectfully request that a refund in the amount of \$600.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 50-3840 since Applicants do not need to pay for excess claims previously paid for prior to the filing of the Request for Continued Examination.

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